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As an IT professional, Microsoft's tactics have made my job increasingly more stressful. As a consumer, Microsoft has taken away choice. They would like you to believe that their only concern is the end user, but the fact of that matter is they strengthen their monopoly everyday using illegal means to shove their software and services down our throats.

Windows needs to be restrained. Let MS make their operating system. But please keep them from filling it up with their own versions of software like web browsers, instant messaging clients, email clients and internet access. MS has the advantage and continues to shove their products down our throats by incorporating these programs into Windows. This leaves competitor's applications to suffer. It is not fair to these companies, and to the users. We want choice. Don't let MS tell you what they think we want. Let us tell you what we want, so that you can make the proper decision.

Please make Microsoft accountable for their actions. Keep them in line by watching and questioning their every move. If this isn't done, I am afraid that the term Federal Government may be preceded by the word Microsoft very soon.

I don't think that the current settlement is enough and I don't support it. Impose stronger restrictions on this company. I think you had the right idea when you originally decided to break them up.

Thank you,

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